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1. I verily believe that I am an original, joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

TUBULAR BASEBALL BAT WITH FULL LENGTH CORE SHAFTS

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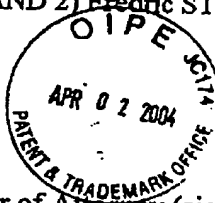
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